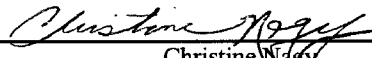


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<p>In re the Patent Application of:</p> <p>Applicant:     Susanne Binder, <i>et al.</i></p> <p>Serial No.:     10/530,164</p> <p>Filed:           April 4, 2005</p> <p>Title:   RETINAL PIGMENT EPITHELIAL           CELL CULTURES ON AMNIOTIC           MEMBRANE AND           TRANSPLANTATION</p>	<p>Group Art Unit: 1651</p> <p>Examiner: Kim, Taeyoon</p> <p>Confirmation No.: 5602</p> <p>Customer No.: 21971</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Certificate of Electronic Filing</u></p> <p>I hereby certify that this Response to Final Office Action Dated October 28, 2008 and all marked attachments are being deposited by Electronic Filing on December 29, 2008 by using the EFS-Web patent filing system and addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p> <p>By: <u></u> Christine Nagy</p>
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 28, 2008**

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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Communication mailed October 28, 2008. This Response has been filed before January 28, 2009 and is therefore submitted within the shortened statutory period for reply. In light of the arguments provided herein, Applicants kindly request reconsideration of the above-identified application.

A **Listing of the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

The **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

The **Conclusion** is on page 10 of this paper.